Our alumni

70% of our alumni strongly agreed that the programme provided the right level of learning and challenge.

85% of our alumni strongly agreed that the education and training they received at AKU was relevant to their career goals.

90% of our alumni said that their AKU experience was very good or excellent.

“Supporting Healthy Futures for East Africa: Celebrating 15 Years of Partnership in Nursing Education: School of Nursing and Midwifery in East Africa, Aga Khan University.”

Winnie Shena, ’10, Kenya
National Chairperson
National Nurses Association of Kenya

“For me, the starting point was to realize that nursing is not just the skills you use by the bedside, it’s responding to the needs of the community,” she says. “You can influence policies, you can contribute to economic development. And that I learned at AKU.”

Mary Musoke, ’09, Uganda
Founder, Maama Maria's Domiciliary Clinic

At AKU, Mary discovered that “you don’t have to be one thing. You can be a leader, manager, mentor, educator, spokesperson and advocate.” Mary is indeed all those things. In addition to leading a clinic she founded, she serves as president of the 760-member Private Midwives Association of Uganda.

Raheema Panga, ’13, Tanzania
District Reproductive and Child Health Coordinator
Ubungo Municipal Council, Dar es Salaam

Raheema found the community nursing modules at AKU very useful in responding to a number of challenges, including a low level of male partner testing for HIV/AIDS and limited male involvement in prevention of mother to child transmission services. “Our center was identified as a Center of Excellence in male involvement,” she says.
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Nursing and midwifery at AKU

Our vision is to provide you with an internationally benchmarked quality education that is relevant, innovative, affordable and needs-based.

We enable graduates to develop the skills, knowledge and experience of the modern nurse and midwife, helping them to grow by encouraging participation in evidence-based practice and by facilitating connections with networks outside the East African region.

As a research-active school, our faculty are qualified expert nurses and midwives, who are able to impart the knowledge and experience of the modern nurse and midwife, helping them to grow by encouraging participation in evidence-based practice and by facilitating connections with networks outside the East African region.

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Awards

Our School and our students have received awards and scholarships within Africa and abroad. In 2017, a member of our faculty in Tanzania was awarded the Midwife of the Year Award by the International Confederation of Midwives in Toronto, Canada. In the same year, a member of our Uganda faculty received a rare Commonwealth Scholarship to complete her PhD studies in nursing from the University of Salford in the United Kingdom.

Our programme

Our nursing degree blends solid academic knowledge, innovative teaching methods and clinical experiences to enable you to provide holistic care for the individual. You will benefit from small classes, well-qualified and supportive faculty and an intensive curriculum that goes beyond national requirements to include coursework in subjects such as critical thinking and culture, health and society – areas of study that our graduates constantly say are especially strong influences on their careers.

What will you learn?

In the first year, you will explore the biomedical sciences such as anatomy and physiology, biochemistry, microbiology and pathophysiology, before moving onto advanced concepts in medical-surgical nursing. You will have the opportunity to engage in critical analysis, improve your academic writing and investigate the connection between information technology and healthcare.

During the second year, the modules will give you exposure to the social determinants of health, reproductive health, child health, community health, and mental health and psychiatry. You will get an opportunity to engage in research and teaching and learning.

In the final year, you will have the opportunity to engage in an evidence-based project. This will give you the chance to engage in research and teaching and learning.

What facilities are available?

The School has well-stocked modern libraries with a wealth of resources for students. The School has well-stocked modern libraries with a wealth of resources for students.

Candidates will also be evaluated through the admission test, letters of reference and a personal interview. Our students come from various countries.

What are your entry requirements?

This course is offered to you if you are an enrolled or registered nurse.

Route A: EN-RN to Post-RN BScN (four and a half years)
Academic Qualification:
Certificate of Registration in General Nursing (RN) with the Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council. Credit grades in the following subjects: English, Chemistry and Physics. Letter ‘C’ in Mathematics and ‘C’ in English.

Route B: RN to Post-RN BScN (two and a half years)
Academic Qualification:
Certificate of Registration in General Nursing (RN) with the Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council.

How do you apply?

You have to fill out an application form, complete and sign it and send it with a personal letter of application. You can apply online by filling out the application form at the website.

Where can you get more details?

You can visit the School’s website at www.akuni.ac.ke for more information.